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## BEFORE THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

In the matter of	)	
	)	No. D 2004- 68
TRANS WORLD RADIO	)	
Cary, NC	)	STIPULATIONS, FINDINGS,
	ý	CONSENT AND ORDER
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TRANS WORLD RADIO is a charitable organization and has been issuing charitable gift annuities in the State of Washington, and is therefore governed by Title 48 RCW.

This administrative action is based on allegations by the Commissioner's staff that TRANS WORLD RADIO violated RCW 48.05.030 and Chapter 48.38 RCW, by the activity described in the following numbered paragraphs. To resolve only the issues identified in the following numbered paragraphs, to eliminate the necessity for a hearing, and as a negotiated settlement of the Commissioner's allegations, TRANS WORLD RADIO has voluntarily executed the Consent to Order contained herein and stipulates to the entry of the Order contained herein.

## **STIPULATIONS**

- 1. RCW 48.05.030 provides that no person shall act as an insurer nor transact insurance in this state other than as authorized by a certificate of authority issued to it by the Commissioner.
- 2. RCW 48.11.020 defines life insurance as including the granting of annuities.
- 3. Chapter 48.38 RCW provides that certain charitable organizations upon complying with the provisions of the Chapter may, after receiving a certificate of exemption from the Commissioner, conduct a charitable gift annuity business and be exempted from most of the provisions of Title 48 RCW.

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4. Beginning in December of 1984 TRANS WORLD RADIO has issued 36 annuities without having been properly licensed to do so.

#### **FINDINGS**

- 1. The Commissioner finds that TRANS WORLD RADIO by and through the conduct described above, has violated RCW 48.05.030 and Chapter 48.38 RCW.
- 2. The Commissioner further finds that RCW 48.01.080 provides that any person violating any provision of Title 48 RCW is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and will upon conviction, be fined not less than ten dollars nor more than \$1,000, or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both.
- 3. The Commissioner further finds that RCW 48.15.023 provides that any insurer that is not authorized to solicit business in the State of Washington who knowingly solicits insurance business or transacts insurance business in the State of Washington is guilty of a Class B felony punishable under chapter 9A.20 RCW.

## **CONSENT TO ORDER**

Based on the above and foregoing stipulations, TRANS WORLD RADIO consents to pay the sum of \$500 being the \$25 annual fee for the 20 years it would have had to pay the fee if it had been properly licensed, the sum of \$180 being the \$5 fee for each annuity that it issued if it had been properly licensed, and a fine in the amount One Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$100), for a total amount of \$780.

Based on the above and foregoing stipulations, TRANS WORLD RADIO voluntarily consents to the following order to resolve the issues and alleged conduct described herein and with the understanding that the payment of the amount levied against TRANS WORLD RADIO is a condition of the issuance of a Certificate of Exemption to TRANS WORLD RADIO for the conduct described herein.

Based on the above and foregoing stipulations, TRANS WORLD RADIO acknowledges its duty and obligation to fully comply with the applicable laws and regulations of the State of Washington.

Signed this 5 day of APRIL. 2004.

TRANS WORLD RADIO

Title: VICE PRESIDENT

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### **ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that pursuant to RCW 48.38.050 and the foregoing Stipulations, Findings, and Consent to Order, TRANS WORLD RADIO pay a total sum in the amount of Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars and 00/100 (\$780) for the activity described in the foregoing Stipulation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in the event that this sum is not paid within 30 days from the date of this order, the sum will be recoverable in a civil action brought on behalf of the Insurance Commissioner by the Attorney General, pursuant to RCW 48.05.185.

SIGNED AND ENTERED THIS /3 day of

James T. Odiorne

Deputy Insurance Commissioner